# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION 364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205, Redding, CA 96002

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### CONCERNING

# ADOPTION OF TIME SCHEDULE ORDER AND RESCISSION OF EXISTING TIME SCHEDULE ORDER (NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0079511)

#### **FOR**

## CITY OF SHASTA LAKE CITY OF SHASTA LAKE WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY SHASTA COUNTY

The City of Shasta Lake (Discharger) is the owner and operator of City of Shasta Lake Wastewater Treatment Facility (Facility), a publicly owned treatment works located in Shasta County, California. The Facility provides sewerage services for the City of Shasta Lake, serving a population of approximately 8,800. The Facility provides tertiary treatment for up to an average dry weather flow of 1.3 million gallons per day (MGD). Tertiary-treated wastewater from the Facility is discharged to Churn Creek, a water of the United States. Discharge from the Facility is currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order R5-2050-0058, adopted by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) on 10 December 2020.

In November 2019, the Discharger reported significant increases in zinc effluent concentrations. The zinc effluent concentrations have remained elevated, resulting in the Discharger being unable to consistently comply with final effluent limitations for zinc. Additionally, the Discharger recently upgraded their Facility and will need time to optimize treatment components, therefore it is unknown if the Discharger will be able to consistently comply with the ammonia, nitrate plus nitrite, and pH effluent limitations in WDRs Order R5-2020-0058 and may need to implement additional actions to reach compliance. Therefore, a tentative Time Schedule Order is proposed which will rescind the existing time schedule order and provide additional time to comply with final effluent limitations for zinc, ammonia, nitrate plus nitrite, and pH.

Comments on the proposed tentative Order must be submitted, in writing, to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **17 May 2021**. Written materials or comments, including emails, submitted after this date will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record, absent a ruling by the Board Chair. Any party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission and the Board Chair must find that accepting the late submission will not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party.

Any member of the public may request an oral hearing before the Executive Officer. If no oral hearing is requested, the public comment period, and the Executive Officer's review of the

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administrative record, including any written comments, shall constitute the public hearing (California Water Code § 13385, subdivision (j)(3)(C)(ii)(II)). Based on any comments received, the Executive Officer may decide to hold an oral hearing for the matter, which would take place at the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 17/18 June 2021

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Remote Meeting via Video Teleconference only

If this matter is considered at a public hearing, the designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- City of Shasta Lake Representatives
- Staff of Central Valley Water Board

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **17 May 2021**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board email at <a href="mailto:RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov">RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov</a> no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **17 May 2021**. Written evidence or comments submitted after this date will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board Chair. Any party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Board Chair must find that accepting the late submission will not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any Designated Party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the hearing item should contact Michael Collins at (530) 224-4785 or <a href="Michael.Collins@waterboards.ca.gov">Michael.Collins@waterboards.ca.gov</a>. Interested parties may download the tentative Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's <a href="Tentative Orders Page">Tentative Orders Page</a>

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_decisions/tentative\_orders/). Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water

Board's office at 364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205, Redding, California 96002 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

### The Final Meeting Agenda

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/) will be available at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order.

### The Procedures Governing Central Valley Water Board Meetings

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\_regulations/) may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. Information on Meeting and Hearing Procedures

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml) is available on the Central Valley Water Board's website or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to the Central Valley Water Board Redding Office at (530) 224-4845.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to send an email to <a href="mailto:agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov">agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov</a> or call (530) 224-4845 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Original signed by: CLINT E. SNYDER, P.G. Assistant Executive Officer

16 April 2021